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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2006, and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 1, 2006, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claim are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.